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In re Patent Application of

Morihito Nomura et al.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.48(b)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

Kindly amend the above-identified application in the following manner.

This application was originally filed naming five inventors – Morihito NOMURA, Kouji OOE, Kouichi NAGATA, Atsushi KAMIYA and Yoshimasa SUZUKI. As a result of prosecution of the application, including cancellation of certain claims, the invention of some of the inventors is no longer being claimed. Thus, applicants respectfully request deletion of the following four named inventors.

Morihito NOMURA

Kouji OOE

Kouichi NAGATA and

Atsushi KAMIYA.

Deletion of the four inventors listed above is requested as the four inventors' invention is no longer being claimed in this application.

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Entry of this amendment is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this matter, the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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